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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Prall et al.

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For: INTEGRATED CIRCUIT HAVING
SELF-ALIGNED CVD-
TUNGSTEN/TITANIUM CONTACT
PLUGS STRAPPED WITH METAL
INTERCONNECT AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURE

Examiner: M. Warren

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This amendment is in response to the Office Action of July 15, 2003 whose initial period of response is set to expire on October 15, 2003.

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